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POLYPHENOL OXIDASE GENES FROM LETTUCE,

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. \$1.56, applicant would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the following disclosures, which are listed on Form PTO-1449 (Exhibit A). Copies of the disclosures listed below as items 1-3 are attached hereto as Exhibits 1-3, respectively:

- 1. Cano et al., "Improvement of frozen banana (Musa cavendishii, cv. Enana) colour by blanching: Relationship between browning, phenols and polyphenol oxidase and peroxidase activities", Zeitschrift Fuer Lebensmittel-Untersuchung Und-Forschung, Vol. 204, No. 1, 1997, pages 60-65(Exhibit 1);
- Zhou et al., "Mechanism of blackheart development induced by low temperature and gibberellic acid in pineapple fruit", Database accession no. PREV199396056342, Database Biosis 'Online! Biosciences Information Service, Philadelphia, PA, US; 1992 (Exhibit 2); and

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3. October 15, 2004 Supplementary Partial European Search Report from counterpart European Application No. EP 98 92 0406 (Exhibit 3).

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided below.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. If any such fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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